Application Guidelines for the 11th Young Researchers’ Retreat

Osaka University
Osaka, Japan
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Humanware Innovation Program
http://www.humanware.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/

Graduate School of Frontier Bioscience:
http://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/index-e.php

Graduate School of Information Science and Technology:
http://www.ist.osaka-u.ac.jp/english/

Graduate School of Engineering Science:
Welcome Message

It is truly a great pleasure and honor for us to host 11th Young Researchers Retreat (YRR). On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we are very grateful to declare a hearty welcome to all participants of this special event.

YRRs have promoted research communication and collaboration for graduate students and young researchers among cross-disciplinary fields.

The 11th YRR theme is

“Beyond borders”

We are very much exited to hold this retreat because we believe that the novel findings, concepts and technical innovation come to us beyond borders of nationalities, cultural backgrounds and academic specialties.

The 11th YRR will provide inspiring opportunities thorough wonderful encounters with participants, leading you to pioneer the unexplored fields.

The city of Kyoto, this retreat venue, is one of the most famous historical cities in the world. It was founded over 1,200 years ago and was the imperial capital in Japan. Now vestiges of this royal history remain in sites such as Kyoto Gosho Palace. We are sure that you would enjoy Japanese traditional streets and cultural experiences in this city!

Finally, we hope you will get this wonderful chance.
Let’s enjoy our fortuitous encounters together!

Mashun Ohnishi, a chairperson of 11th Young Researchers Retreat
Young Researchers Summer Retreat 2017

Invitation Message

Dear young friends:

We announce the upcoming Young Researchers Summer Retreat 2017 in Kyoto. Our world is full of expectations. It is all of you who make the world OMOROI. The purpose of this Young Researchers Summer Retreat is to provide you (students and young research staffs) with an opportunity to freely mix with one another and discuss their present studies and future research goals in relaxed atmosphere away from their laboratories and supervisors in order to stimulate interdisciplinary research activities by student initiative. This is the 11th year of the Retreat and the 9th year that we invite graduate students and young researchers from foreign institutes to participate. Every year our young guests enjoy close communications with others with different scientific and cultural backgrounds.

This retreat will provide you a unique opportunity of world-wide OMOROI experiences. Join us, and make yourself OMOROI.

Yasushi Hiraoka at your age

Prof. Yasushi Hiraoka, FBS Representative Assembly member in charge of Retreat

Prof. Toshio Yanagida, QBiC Imaging Project Leader

Prof. Shigeru Kondo, Dean of the Graduate School of Frontier Bioscien
1. Date

26 to 28 July 2017 (3 days, 2 nights) for the retreat

- We will hold following events before and after this retreat.
  - English lesson by ALC PRESS INC
  - Welcome party (25th July)
  - Osaka Univ. laboratory tour (31th July)
  - Farewell party (1st August)

2. Participants

- Graduate students (mainly) and young researchers from the bioscience, information technology, or engineering from Osaka University
- Graduate student and young researchers from foreign Institutes (specially invited)

3. Participation Fees for your retreat

The participation fee for the retreat is 25,000 yen / person.
*20,000 yen will be reimbursed from Osaka University later.

- We request you to pay the fee on the first day of the retreat.

*If you cancel your participation, the cancel fee will arise according to following cancel policy. Please confirm it before your application.
If you have questions, please contact us by E-mail or contact form.

- Cancel policy
  - Cancellation on the day or without prior notice: 100% (25,000 yen)
  - Cancellation on 3 day to 1 day before retreat: 50% (12,500 yen)
  - Cancellation on 7 day to 4 day before retreat: 20% (5,000 yen)
  - Others: 0%
4. Program

We provide multiple discussion chances about your research and various hot topics link to interdisciplinary research. During these courses you exchange your ideas with participants from varieties of fields and it might bring you new insights. On the middle day of retreat, you will have excursion to enjoy traditional events or sightseeing in Japan.

*Subjects might be changed

**Poster Discussion**

We ask all participants to prepare a poster (details below) outlining their research. You can discuss your research with people from different fields. You should prepare your talk and poster simple to understand for researchers in different fields, and focus on the fundamental significance of your work.

**Group Discussion**

You will have an opportunity to discuss various topics in each group. We will bring up some charming topics to discuss. You would find many interesting idea and thinking way through various perspectives. Discussion in culture of diversity would bring you the exiting moment.

**Special lecture**

Prof. Hiroshi Ishiguro kindly got our offer of the special lecture! He is one of very famous, wonderful and quite unique researcher at Graduate School of Engineering Science, Osaka Univ.

His robotic research has been widely known since his icon; his clone android has been often reported in the media in Japan.

He keeps creating sophisticated and humorous robots to create a better life for people. Furthermore, he is also enthusiastic about addressing “what is humanity?”

You might get a big impact or inspiration from his path, passion and dreams.

**Oral presentation**

We organize an oral presentation by participants those who are interested in it. It would be wonderful chance for you to appeal your exciting story directly to the participants.

*The presenters will be selected by the committee members, when the number of applicants exceeds the quota.
Excursion

Let’s enjoy the excursion in Kyoto City! We will go to traditional temples or shrines.

You can experience Japanese traditional culture such as making scent bag, wearing yukata.

It would be fun for you to have your relaxing time with your friends!

*It costs about 3,000 yen for the experience-based tour above.

*The plan might be changed depends on the total number of the people who want to take these tours.

5. Applicant’s preparation

• A poster for poster presentation (A0 size)
  ✓ Please make sure to put your name, affiliated institution, and face photo.
  ✓ A0 size: Horizontal 841mm × Vertical 1189mm (A0 size). Printing slides (i.e., multiple A4) is also OK. The poster should be prepared in English.

• Handouts for self-introduction (A4 size) at least 6 copies
  ✓ Please make sure to put your name, affiliated institution, grade (position), research field, research outline, and face photo.
  ✓ You will use handouts for self-introduction to 6 group members. Any content is fine. Please express your personality on this hand out!

• Oral presentation preparation (If applicable)
  ✓ Time for the each oral presentation is 18 minutes. (Presentation for 15 min, discussion for 3 min)
6. Venue

Hotel KKR Kyoto kuniso (Kyoto City, Kyoto prefecture)
   Official site: http://www.kuniso.com (Japanese only)

Venue information of YRR (Young Researchers’ Retreat):
   http://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/events/wakate-h29/program.html (in English)

7. Application Method

Application form is available at the following URL. Please fill in this form, and sent it to us.

   Application Form: https://goo.gl/forms/IbYh44x7GRTHgIkJ2

8. Deadline for Submission

   May 24, 2017 at 17:00

   - The application period may close early if applicant quota is filled.
   - Once you has registered and been accepted to 2017 YRR, please don’t cancel it without your emergency reason.

9. Contact

For further information about the retreat, please contact us by following contact form or by E-mail

   Contact form: http://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/events/wakate-h29/contact.html
   E-mail: vrr2017.osaka.pr@gmail.com

10. website

   http://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/events/wakate-h29/home.html